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                   BEFORE THE
             ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION
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   IN THE MATTER OF:
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   JOHN C. HARRIS,
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                                        ) No. 06-0186
       vs.
   PEOPLES GAS LIGHT AND COKE COMPANY
   Complaint as to billing/charges in
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                      Chicago, Illinois
                     April 17, 2006
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       Met, pursuant to notice, at 10:00 a.m.
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   BEFORE:
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       MR. JOHN RILEY, Administrative Law Judge
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   APPEARANCES:
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       MR. JOHN C. HARRIS
       4552 North Dover Street
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       Chicago, Illinois
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            appearing pro se;
      MR. MARK L. GOLDSTEIN
16
       108 Wilmot Road
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       Suite 330
       Deerfield, Illinois 60015
18
            appearing for Peoples Gas.
19 ALSO PRESENT:
20 BRIAN SCHMOLDT
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   SULLIVAN REPORTING COMPANY, by
22 Rocio Garcia, CSR
   License No. 084-004387
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- 2 JUDGE RILEY: Pursuant to the direction of the
- 3 Illinois Commerce Commission, I call Docket 06-0186.
- 4 This is a complaint by John C. Harris versus Peoples
- 5 Gas Light and Coke Company as to billing and charges
- 6 in Chicago, Illinois.
- 7 Mr. Harris, you are proceeding without
- 8 counsel at this point; is that correct?
- 9 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah, because I can't afford
- 10 one.
- 11 JUDGE RILEY: All right. Well, the answer is no
- 12 then.
- Mr. Goldstein, would you enter an
- 14 appearance on behalf of Peoples Gas.
- MR. GOLDSTEIN: Yes, on behalf of Peoples Gas
- 16 Light and Coke Company, Mark L. Goldstein, 108
- 17 Wilmot Road, Suite 330, Deerfield, Illinois 60015.
- 18 My telephone number is (847)580-5480 and I have with
- 19 me Brian Schmoldt. That's S-c-h-m-o-l-d-t from
- 20 Peoples Gas.
- 21 JUDGE RILEY: All right. Let me begin with you,
- 22 Mr. Harris.

- 1 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Okay.
- 2 JUDGE RILEY: Are you the owner of the structure
- 3 at 4552 North Dover?
- 4 MR. JOHN HARRIS: My aunt and I are the owner of
- 5 the house.
- 6 JUDGE RILEY: You're co-owner then?
- 7 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah, and she's not able to
- 8 make any payments.
- 9 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. Well, let me -- let's not
- 10 get ahead of ourselves here.
- 11 MR. JOHN HARRIS: All right.
- 12 JUDGE RILEY: Who are the Grodowski (phonetic)
- 13 brothers?
- 14 MR. JOHN HARRIS: They're a call of brothers that
- 15 welch off of their mother.
- 16 JUDGE RILEY: Let me stop right there.
- 17 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Okay.
- JUDGE RILEY: Do they own -- are -- were they
- 19 prior owners? Are they current owners? Are they --
- 20 did they ever own the property?
- 21 MR. JOHN HARRIS: They own about 25 percent a
- 22 piece.

- 1 JUDGE RILEY: All right. So --
- 2 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Along with their mother.
- JUDGE RILEY: You're a co-owner, your aunt is a
- 4 co-owner, and the Grodowski brothers are also
- 5 owners?
- 6 MR. JOHN HARRIS: I own 50 percent.
- 7 JUDGE RILEY: You own 50 percent. How much does
- 8 your aunt own?
- 9 MR. JOHN HARRIS: She owns -- between her and her
- 10 sons each together about 25 percent. I don't know
- 11 how they work that out. I really don't.
- 12 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. All right. All right. And
- 13 the Grodowski Brothers, they own about 25 percent?
- 14 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah.
- 15 JUDGE RILEY: And, now, is there a single -- is
- 16 this a -- what kind of a structure is this? Is it a
- 17 single family home?
- 18 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Single family home,
- 19 two-and-a-half stories.
- JUDGE RILEY: Is there a single meter?
- 21 MR. JOHN HARRIS: One single meter, yeah.
- 22 JUDGE RILEY: And in whose name is the gas?

- 1 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Right now it was put in my
- 2 name.
- JUDGE RILEY: Okay. You say it was put in your
- 4 name?
- 5 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah.
- 6 JUDGE RILEY: Was that done by the gas company?
- 7 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Well, the gas company didn't
- 8 put it in my name right away. They turned around
- 9 and put it in later.
- 10 JUDGE RILEY: All right. When did you become the
- 11 co-owner of this building?
- 12 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Back in 1976.
- 13 JUDGE RILEY: All right. When did -- was this
- 14 account put in your name?
- MR. JOHN HARRIS: Back in 2005 sometime.
- 16 JUDGE RILEY: Had it ever been in your name
- 17 before?
- 18 MR. JOHN HARRIS: No.
- 19 JUDGE RILEY: Did they explain to you why it was
- 20 all of a sudden put in your name?
- 21 MR. JOHN HARRIS: She said because at the time
- 22 she couldn't afford the gas bills and she kind of

- 1 figured I could.
- 2 JUDGE RILEY: This was your aunt?
- 3 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah.
- 4 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. Well, I'm kind of at a loss.
- 5 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Well, at the time --
- 6 JUDGE RILEY: It was in her name prior to this?
- 7 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah.
- 8 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. And your aunt told you that
- 9 sometime in 2005 she could no longer --
- 10 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Pay for the bills.
- 11 JUDGE RILEY: Pay the bills and therefore -- did
- 12 she just unilaterally go and put it in -- have
- 13 Peoples Gas switch the account in your name or did
- 14 you acquiesce in this or. . .
- 15 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Well, I turned around and I
- 16 said I would pay half the bills but I didn't expect
- 17 to pay the whole bill.
- 18 JUDGE RILEY: All right. Now, you live on the
- 19 premises?
- 20 MR. JOHN HARRIS: I've live on the premises on
- 21 the first floor.
- 22 JUDGE RILEY: Your aunt lives on the premises?

- 1 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah.
- 2 JUDGE RILEY: And do the Grodowski brothers live
- 3 there also?
- 4 MR. JOHN HARRIS: They don't live there but they
- 5 claim they do.
- 6 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. All right.
- 7 MR. JOHN HARRIS: They actually claim they do.
- 8 JUDGE RILEY: All right. So are you saying that
- 9 you had some kind of an informal agreement with your
- 10 aunt but you were going to split the cost of the
- 11 gas?
- 12 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah.
- 13 JUDGE RILEY: And instead you're paying the whole
- 14 thing now?
- MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yes, I am.
- 16 JUDGE RILEY: All right. Did you pay the
- 17 security deposit?
- 18 MR. JOHN HARRIS: CEDA paid \$1,089 for a gas bill
- 19 dating back this last year in October and evidently
- 20 the \$1,089 was paid in two installments to Peoples
- 21 Energy. It was supposed to be put towards the gas
- 22 bill and it was not.

- 1 JUDGE RILEY: What was it put towards?
- 2 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Security deposit and deposit --
- 3 security deposit installments.
- 4 The worst thing it comes out to, if I may
- 5 show you?
- 6 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. Well, I'm -- we're
- 7 getting --
- 8 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Okay.
- 9 JUDGE RILEY: We're getting ahead of ourselves
- 10 again here.
- 11 MR. JOHN HARRIS: All right.
- 12 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. CEDA -- you had applied to
- 13 CEDA?
- 14 MR. JOHN HARRIS: I have -- right.
- JUDGE RILEY: For payment of a gas bill?
- 16 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah.
- JUDGE RILEY: And you were granted \$1,089?
- 18 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yes.
- 19 JUDGE RILEY: And instead of appl- -- keep
- 20 Peoples Gas instead of applying it to the gas bill,
- 21 apply that to a security deposit?
- 22 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah.

- 1 JUDGE RILEY: Did they tell you -- did you ever
- 2 find out why?
- 3 MR. JOHN HARRIS: CEDA requested the money back
- 4 because it was not applied towards --
- 5 JUDGE RILEY: Why did Peoples -- did Peoples Gas
- 6 ever explain to you why they applied it to a
- 7 security deposit --
- 8 MR. JOHN HARRIS: No.
- 9 JUDGE RILEY: -- and not the gas bill?
- 10 MR. JOHN HARRIS: They didn't.
- 11 JUDGE RILEY: And then CEDA asked for the money
- 12 back?
- 13 MR. JOHN HARRIS: They asked for the money back.
- 14 JUDGE RILEY: Were you able to send it back?
- 15 MR. JOHN HARRIS: No.
- 16 JUDGE RILEY: And was it -- was it you that --
- 17 who made the application --
- 18 MR. JOHN HARRIS: What do you mean?
- 19 JUDGE RILEY: -- for CEDA?
- 20 In other words, CEDA gave them -- granted
- 21 \$1,089. Who applied for the \$1,089?
- 22 MR. JOHN HARRIS: I did.

- 1 JUDGE RILEY: You did. Okay.
- 2 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Because I'm supporting more
- 3 than one person.
- 4 JUDGE RILEY: All right. And it says something
- 5 about a security deposit installment. Was this
- 6 1,089 applied as an installment?
- 7 MR. JOHN HARRIS: They're not sure because CEDA
- 8 had contacted Peoples Energy Friday to find out
- 9 what's going on.
- 10 JUDGE RILEY: All right. Did this all occur in
- 11 2005?
- 12 MR. JOHN HARRIS: It started in 2004.
- 13 JUDGE RILEY: Okay.
- 14 MR. JOHN HARRIS: And this is what they have come
- 15 up with. They were adding security deposits one
- 16 after another and it accumulated into all that
- 17 money.
- 18 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. Well, are you liable for
- 19 anything prior to the time that this account was put
- 20 in your name?
- 21 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Not before, no.
- 22 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. So that would've been in

- 1 2005?
- 2 MR. JOHN HARRIS: But I still got stuck with the
- 3 back bills.
- 4 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. So you're saying that what
- 5 the -- what Peoples Gas is alleging you owe is
- 6 \$4,072.61 in usage. No, I'm sorry, install- --
- 7 in --
- 8 MR. JOHN HARRIS: The deposit.
- 9 JUDGE RILEY: -- the security deposit.
- 10 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah, and installments.
- 11 JUDGE RILEY: And then the gas bill was up
- 12 \$2,209.93?
- 13 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah.
- JUDGE RILEY: Now, was this all in 2005?
- 15 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Mm-hmm.
- 16 JUDGE RILEY: Okay.
- 17 MR. JOHN HARRIS: And I've been paying monthly
- 18 and I can't seem to get away with it.
- 19 JUDGE RILEY: All right. Okay.
- 20 Okay. Mr. Goldstein, do you want to --
- 21 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Also this was brought, your
- 22 Honor, to CEDA's attention that there's two accounts

- 1 in the same but two different names.
- 2 JUDGE RILEY: What -- who or what is Tom
- 3 Enterprises?
- 4 MR. JOHN HARRIS: They're the people next door.
- 5 They have pipes hooked up to the shut-off valve
- 6 outside the house by my car and --
- 7 JUDGE RILEY: All right. Well --
- 8 MR. JOHN HARRIS: I did not --
- 9 JUDGE RILEY: Let me stop -- stop you. Back up.
- 10 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Okay.
- JUDGE RILEY: They're the people next door?
- 12 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah, and both of them --
- JUDGE RILEY: 45- -- they're at a different
- 14 address entirely?
- 15 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah.
- 16 JUDGE RILEY: They're hooked up to your gas
- 17 meter?
- 18 MR. JOHN HARRIS: They're hooked up to the line
- 19 outside and --
- 20 JUDGE RILEY: So your meter is registering gas
- 21 for the --
- 22 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah.

- 1 JUDGE RILEY: -- for the dwelling next door?
- 2 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Next door, yeah.
- 3 JUDGE RILEY: Have you told Peoples Gas about
- 4 this?
- 5 MR. JOHN HARRIS: I have told them several times
- 6 and they have never done anything.
- 7 JUDGE RILEY: So you're paying for the usage of
- 8 the structure next door?
- 9 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah, I'm paying for their
- 10 stores.
- 11 JUDGE RILEY: For their. . .?
- 12 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Their stores are hooked up --
- 13 JUDGE RILEY: Their --
- 14 MR. JOHN HARRIS: -- on Dover Street. They have
- 15 stores on Dover and Wilson and the gas pipes are
- 16 running through the wall from outside the lawn into
- 17 the building. I've been in the stores.
- 18 JUDGE RILEY: Okay.
- 19 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Because a lady let me in there
- 20 to take a look.
- 21 JUDGE RILEY: Okay.
- MR. JOHN HARRIS: And CEDA has proof that there

- 1 is hook-ups. They have given me letters.
- 2 JUDGE RILEY: Do you know how these hook-ups took
- 3 place or when --
- 4 MR. JOHN HARRIS: No, I don't.
- 5 JUDGE RILEY: -- they took place?
- 6 MR. JOHN HARRIS: I don't know when it took place
- 7 or anything. I don't even know when this ever took
- 8 place because I've been traveling out of state for
- 9 work.
- 10 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. All right.
- Okay. Mr. Goldstein, can you shed any
- 12 light on this?
- MR. GOLDSTEIN: Well, we frankly don't know where
- 14 the \$4,000 is coming from. I don't have any idea
- 15 what that amount relates to at all. As far as I can
- 16 tell, I may be wrong, just looking at Mr. Harris'
- 17 January 6, 2006 gas bill, which was attached to his
- 18 complaint, it appears to me that the CEDA amount was
- 19 credited to him and --
- 20 JUDGE RILEY: Oh, was it --
- 21 MR. GOLDSTEIN: -- I don't know.
- 22 JUDGE RILEY: -- credited to the bill or --

- 1 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Oh, I'm sorry. I've misspoken.
- 2 It's the 11/29 of 2005 gas bill. He did receive a
- 3 credit for the \$1,089 that he wri- -- had wrote
- 4 in -- wrote on the January 6, 2006 gas bill.
- 5 JUDGE RILEY: Okay.
- 6 MR. GOLDSTEIN: I have no clue what the \$4,000
- 7 relates to.
- 8 It also appears to us that Mr. Harris is
- 9 the customer of record. There is a prior complaint
- 10 that he filed late last year that is still pending
- 11 before the Commission and once that is resolved, I
- 12 would suggest that we go forward with an evidentiary
- 13 hearing in this complaint.
- 14 JUDGE RILEY: Okay.
- 15 MR. GOLDSTEIN: So --
- 16 MR. JOHN HARRIS: There --
- 17 MR. GOLDSTEIN: And I --
- 18 MR. JOHN HARRIS: I have a doctor that pays house
- 19 calls to me.
- 20 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. Well, hold on a minute.
- 21 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Okay.
- 22 JUDGE RILEY: Let me see if he's got anything

- 1 else.
- 2 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Okay.
- 3 MR. GOLDSTEIN: All right. Let me add one more
- 4 thing --
- 5 JUDGE RILEY: Sure.
- 6 MR. GOLDSTEIN: -- Judge, if I may.
- 7 I've got an inspection report that shows
- 8 that on January 25th, or around that time, there was
- 9 an inspection made at 4552 North Dover.
- 10 JUDGE RILEY: When was it?
- 11 MR. GOLDSTEIN: January 25th.
- 12 JUDGE RILEY: Of this year?
- 13 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Yes.
- 14 JUDGE RILEY: Okay.
- MR. GOLDSTEIN: Of 2006, and, at least, from what
- 16 I can see, on the inspection there does not appear
- 17 to be any -- you know, anything wrong with the
- 18 piping --
- 19 JUDGE RILEY: Okay.
- 20 MR. GOLDSTEIN: -- or any tapping of the meter
- 21 and so forth.
- I think what I suggested to Mr. Schmoldt

- 1 was that we go out there again and make sure that it
- 2 is the case.
- 3 JUDGE RILEY: Right.
- 4 MR. GOLDSTEIN: And we will do so and, obviously,
- 5 report back at the evidentiary hearing.
- 6 JUDGE RILEY: All right. Then it is your
- 7 suggestion that today we set a date for evidentiary
- 8 hearing?
- 9 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Yes.
- 10 JUDGE RILEY: Okay.
- 11 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Well, I'd like to actually set
- 12 up something with you. Is a payment plan --
- 13 Mr. Schmoldt, if we can do that.
- 14 MR. BRIAN SCHMOLDT: Sure.
- MR. JOHN HARRIS: That the gas do not get turned
- 16 off for the meantime because Mrs. Grodowski is
- 17 living in the house. My mother came to Chicago.
- 18 She's sick right now and I got two people to take
- 19 care of. I do have a kid, which went back to his
- 20 mother, and the thing is that the -- if the gas gets
- 21 turned off, it's going to get cold in there and I
- 22 need hot water. Okay?

- 1 MR. BRIAN SCHMOLDT: No. We'll set up a payment
- 2 plan.
- 3 MR. JOHN HARRIS: All right.
- 4 MR. BRIAN SCHMOLDT: And I'll set up an
- 5 inspection.
- 6 MR. JOHN HARRIS: And I'd like to bring this to
- 7 your attention. This is what I go through each
- 8 month with bills. If we can --
- 9 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Well, you want to make a copy of
- 10 this --
- 11 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yes, you can. You can make a
- 12 copy.
- This is what I go through with bills each
- 14 month and what I pay for telephone, everything else.
- 15 I do have a car payment and the last payment will be
- 16 like about \$460 in the month of June. After that,
- 17 I'm free and clear of this car. If we can work
- 18 something out that I can pay for July, August,
- 19 September, fine, you know.
- 20 MR. BRIAN SCHMOLDT: We'll work something out.
- 21 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Okay. Without shutting off the
- 22 gas. I want some type of guarantee because whoever

- 1 is hooked up to this thing is causing me problems
- 2 and I've had Joe Burger, from the Burger Furnace
- 3 Company out and he's checked the furnace several
- 4 times. I've had it go out on me and it's not the
- 5 furnace. It's from outside somewhere.
- 6 MR. BRIAN SCHMOLDT: Okay. We'll have somebody
- 7 check.
- 8 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Mm-hmm.
- 9 MR. BRIAN SCHMOLDT: Have somebody recheck
- 10 because, I guess, after they went out there and they
- 11 didn't find anything.
- 12 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Your shut-off valve was busted
- 13 when the last guy turned it on. He broke it somehow
- 14 in the ground. People have been tripping in the
- 15 hole. The City came out and they sealed the hole --
- 16 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Well --
- 17 MR. JOHN HARRIS: -- in front of my car.
- 18 JUDGE RILEY: Mr. Harris, by this payment plan,
- 19 is it my understanding you're still -- are you still
- 20 disputing the charges as they're set forth in your
- 21 complaint?
- 22 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yes.

- 1 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. So we're still going to go
- 2 to hearing on those?
- 3 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Well, I --
- 4 JUDGE RILEY: What you're looking for is a
- 5 payment to --
- 6 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah.
- 7 JUDGE RILEY: So that you can handle the current
- 8 usage?
- 9 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yes.
- 10 JUDGE RILEY: Okay.
- 11 MR. GOLDSTEIN: I guess through discovery -- we
- 12 may have to do some discovery on this, Judge,
- 13 because as I've said in my statement, I do not
- 14 understand the 4,000 something odd dollars that --
- 15 MR. JOHN HARRIS: I don't understand it either.
- 16 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. Well, I --
- 17 MR. GOLDSTEIN: It does not appear on any bill, I
- 18 don't think. At least none of the bills that are
- 19 attached to the --
- 20 JUDGE RILEY: In the same month --
- 21 MR. GOLDSTEIN: -- Mr. Harris' complaint.
- 22 JUDGE RILEY: -- security deposit, okay.

- 1 MR. JOHN HARRIS: CEDA has found that they're
- 2 adding security deposits and deposit installments
- 3 monthly and that is where all the money is adding up
- 4 to.
- 5 JUDGE RILEY: Mr. Harris, do you have
- 6 documentation of all that?
- 7 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yeah, here.
- 8 JUDGE RILEY: Well, what I'm saying is that this
- 9 is something that you may -- can be -- be certain
- 10 you bring to hearing --
- 11 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Okay.
- 12 JUDGE RILEY: -- and produce it as evidence.
- 13 MR. JOHN HARRIS: All right.
- 14 JUDGE RILEY: Anything that can substantiate
- 15 these charges here, any documentation or other
- 16 testimony.
- 17 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Okay.
- 18 JUDGE RILEY: But keep all of your records with
- 19 yourself right now.
- 20 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Okay.
- 21 JUDGE RILEY: And Mr. Goldstein said that he
- 22 wanted to --

- 1 Is that where we are right now?
- 2 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Yes.
- 3 JUDGE RILEY: All right. Then what kind of time
- 4 are you going to need to do your discovery? You
- 5 want to have an inspection to find out what --
- 6 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Yes.
- 7 JUDGE RILEY: -- the hook-up is all about?
- 8 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Well, within the next 30 days
- 9 we'll do all that.
- 10 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. We want to aim for --
- 11 MR. GOLDSTEIN: 45 days out, if we could.
- 12 JUDGE RILEY: Okay. That would take us to just
- 13 about the end of May. My calendar should be
- 14 relatively clear.
- 15 Is there any particular day that's better
- 16 for you, Mr. Harris?
- 17 Counsel, actually, we're into June
- 18 because I am going to be out of the country the last
- 19 week in May.
- 20 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Could we suggest May 25th?
- 21 JUDGE RILEY: Thursday?
- MR. GOLDSTEIN: That's a Thursday?

- 1 JUDGE RILEY: Yeah. My calendar is clear.
- 2 Mr. Harris, is that okay with you?
- 3 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Yes. What time?
- 4 JUDGE RILEY: It's going to be 10:00 a.m.
- 5 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Thank you.
- 6 JUDGE RILEY: That should give us enough time to
- 7 deal with all of the evidence.
- And you're -- counsel, you're confident
- 9 that that'll give you enough time to do --
- 10 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Oh, yes. Yes. At the very least
- 11 we will be able to go out there and inspect the
- 12 piping.
- 13 JUDGE RILEY: Okay.
- MR. JOHN HARRIS: But is there some type of
- 15 payment plan we could set up?
- 16 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Yeah, we can do that off the
- 17 record, Mr. Harris.
- 18 MR. JOHN HARRIS: All right.
- 19 JUDGE RILEY: Is there anything further from
- 20 Peoples Gas?
- 21 MR. GOLDSTEIN: I have nothing else.
- 22 JUDGE RILEY: Mr. Harris, the only thing I wanted

- 1 to make sure that you understand is that as the
- 2 complainant in this matter, it's going to be your
- 3 burden to go -- to proceed first with the evidence
- 4 and to establish a claim.
- 5 MR. JOHN HARRIS: All right. Okay.
- 6 JUDGE RILEY: Anything -- as I said before,
- 7 anything, any documentation or other testimony or
- 8 evidence or other evidence that you have that
- 9 substantiates these figures that you've put into
- 10 your complaint --
- 11 MR. JOHN HARRIS: All right.
- 12 JUDGE RILEY: -- by all means produce that at
- 13 hearing.
- 14 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Okay.
- 15 JUDGE RILEY: And after which Mr. Goldstein
- 16 will -- I may ask supplemental questions of you just
- 17 to clarify the record. Mr. Goldstein will have an
- 18 opportunity to cross-examine and then it will be his
- 19 turn to put his case in chief on.
- 20 MR. JOHN HARRIS: Okay.
- JUDGE RILEY: So that's where we stand right now.
- Is there anything further?

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  MR. GOLDSTEIN: I have nothing else.
      JUDGE RILEY: Okay. I'll let you folks work out
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 3 whatever payment plan you want and I will continue
 4 this matter from today's date to May 25th, 2006 at
 5 10:00 a.m. for hearing.
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              Thank you very much.
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                    (Whereupon, the above-entitled
                     matter was continued to
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                     May 25, 2006, at 10:00 a.m.)
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